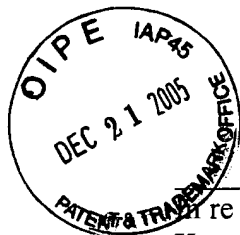


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 21, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.
- **Remarks** begin on page 9.

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